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## WESTERN BANK NAMES NEW ADVISORY BOARD



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Officials of the Western Bank and Trust Company in West Springfield have announced the nine members appointed to the Advisory Committee for the bank's newest branch office which opened at Feeding Hills Center on Monday, Nov. 25th. Mr. William A. Franks, Jr., bank president, who issued the statement said, "each member of this committee has been chosen after careful consideration of several qualified candidates. Those finally decided on were picked because of their proved business capabilities and contributions to the community which the bank will serve."

All named are residents of Agawam or Feeding Hills.

The members of the Advisory Committee are:

Mr. James Clark, Supt. of Schools in Agawam. Mr. Clark has served this position since 1954. In addition to his membership in several associations of educators and school administrators, he is active in the Agawam Lions Club, the Committee

on Center for Aging, and on the Area I Mental Health Board.

Mr. Nicholas S. Zucco, President of Packaging Service, Inc., Agawam. He serves as a consultant to the Government on packaging. Active in the community, he is currently Treasurer of the Agawam YMCA and member of the Agawam Industrial Commission and Board of Appeals.

Mr. John J. Beltrandi, Presi-

dent of Beltrandi Real Estate and Insurance Agency. Mr. Beltrandi is a member of the Agawam Chapter of UNICO, the Knights of Columbus, and has served on the town's Planning Board. He is a well-known musician in the Springfield area.

Mr. Joseph J. Ferrari, President of DePalma Motor Sales and DePalma Transportation Service, (Please Turn To Page 5)

### AHS Music Groups Plan Yule Reunion

All graduates of high school musical groups are invited to take part in a musical reunion on Saturday evening, Dec. 21st.

During the past several years several different formats have been used for the social-musical program ranging from almost purely social to a full Christmas Concert by high and junior high groups.

This year plans call for a less formal program and greater graduate participation. In order to make a more active evening for graduates, the opening hour of

the get-together will invite former members to sit in with the present band and chorus in what will amount to an "Open rehearsal."

Following the rehearsal hour, groups will get together to view some of the highlights of past musical productions and will be treated to some live recreations of recent productions by recently graduated leads from Oklahoma and South Pacific.

The evening will close with a social hour for alumni put on by present members of Chorale and Band.

## Agawam Housing Undergoes Renovation

The Veterans' Project of the Agawam Housing Authority at Springfield St., corner of Franklin St., known as Brady Village is taking on a new look as five buildings in the complex are receiving new exterior surfaces. Two ranch-type buildings have already been painted and two other buildings have received a vinyl

siding. In addition another building will soon be vinyled and it is hoped that several others may be done in ensuing years as more money becomes available.

Housing board member Richard J. Dudek said, "We have been working for quite some time to get this job started as many technical and legal requirements had to be met to get authorization from the State Housing Board. Now the specifications, bids, finances and contracts are all in order and fine progress is being made. It is certainly a pleasure to get this work going as lasting benefits will accrue to tenants, neighbors and townspeople by the vastly improved look of Brady Village."

The Housing Board also has control of two other building complexes both for the elderly. One is known as Colonial Haven and the other Country Manor.

Board members besides Mr. Dudek are Thomas Meredith Robert Watson, Joseph McMahon, Frank Chriscola and Cosette Brame, executive secretary.

### Local Lioness Club Yule Meet Dec. 2

The December meeting of the Agawam Lioness Club will be held Monday evening the 2nd at the Federal Hill Club. The annual members Christmas gift exchange will be held.

Members are asked to bring in to show and demonstrate any Christmas decorations they have made or wrapping ideas they may have.

Wrapped packages of jelly, cookies, candy, etc., for distribution to the older citizens in town at Christmas should be brought to this meeting.

## St. John's Yule Bazaar At Junior High Dec. 7

Agawam Junior High Cafeteria will be transformed into an enchanting Christmas wonderland with its myriads of twinkling lights, silvery glitter, pine and holly for St. John's Yule Bazaar to be held Saturday, Dec. 7th, from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Browsing among the gaily decorated booths the shopper will find a sparkling array of lovely gift items, exquisite Christmas decorations and delectable home baked goodies.

Mrs. David Gallano is general chairman of the event with Mrs. Richard Gingras, Mrs. Bruno Zucco and Mrs. Wyly Brame assisting as cochairmen. Honorary chairmen include Rev. Walter J. Joyce, pastor, Mrs. Alexander Toczko, president of the Catholic Women's Club, Mrs. John Tanner, president of St. John's Guild and Mr. Edmund Coffey, president of the Catholic Men's Club. The Early American Booth

features many unusual articles reflecting our nation's heritage—ideal gifts for collectors of this period. Mrs. Thomas Casiello chairman. In the Attic Treasures Booth will be found that much needed household accessory at "give-away" prices. Mrs. James Moran and Mrs. Gustave Benoit co-chairmen.

Aprons and kitchen accessories highlight the Homemaker's Nook. Mrs. Francis Capitanio and Mrs. J. Clinton Wright are in charge. The Gourmet Shoppe offers bread and rolls made by the Sisters of St. Joseph in addition to delicious home baked foods prepared by the women of the parish; Mrs. James Doyle, chairman, assisted by Mrs. Alfred Trehey, Mrs. Charles Tyler and Mrs. Robert Carney.

Beautiful hand knits will be displayed in the Knitters' Boutique. Mrs. Thomas McGovern (Please Turn To Page 2)

### St. John's Guild Yule Party Dec. 3

St. John the Evangelist Guild will hold their annual Christmas party on Tuesday evening, Dec. 3 at the Capt. Leonard House on Main St. A pot luck supper scheduled for 6:30 will precede a brief business meeting conducted by president, Mrs. John Tanner. Mrs. Philippe Raiche is serving as general chairman of arrangements for the Christmas event and is being assisted by Mrs. Charles Campbell, Mrs. Ronald Gloster, Mrs. Wildor Theroux, Mrs. Bruno Squazza and Mrs. Raymond Rex.

Rev. Walter Joyce, spiritual advisor to the Guild and Rev. Albert Blanchard will be honored guests. Musical entertainment will highlight the program with community singing featuring Christmas Carols concluding the evening. Reservations should be made as soon as possible with either Mrs. Raiche or Mrs. Tanner.

### Community Grange Program Dec. 3

Community Grange will hold their next meeting on Dec. 3rd at 8 o'clock in the Grange Home on North West St., Feeding Hills. The Educational Aid Committee, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Chapin and Mrs. Madrine Allen, are in charge of the program. They will present Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Chagnon, former members of Community Grange, who will relate their experiences while on a mineral hunting trip to the western United States.

During the evening the members will have an opportunity to contribute to the annual collection for CARE. This is a project of the Home and Community Service Committee.

A social hour will be enjoyed after the program. Mrs. Hannah Binns is chairman of the refreshment committee assisted by Mrs. Florence Conkey, Mrs. Florence Rochford and Mrs. H. Grace Taylor.



# CHURCH NEWS

## AGAWAM METHODIST CHURCH

459 Mill Street, Agawam  
*Rev. Kenneth Thornton, Minister*  
*Mrs. Herbert Binns, Organist*  
*Mrs. Marshall Keyes, Sanctuary Choir Director*  
*Mrs. Kenneth Alexander, Junior/Youth Choir Director*  
 Friday—11 a.m.—Service of Worship at East Longmeadow Nursing Home; 6:15 p.m.—Bowling Teams at Westside.

Sunday: 6:45 a.m. Methodist Men's Club Breakfast; 9:30 a.m. Church at Worship—First Sunday in Advent—Sacrament of The Lord's Supper will be observed. Nursery for infants. Church School in session; 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour; 6 p.m. Youth Group; 6:45 p.m. Service of Worship (Advent Series).

Monday: 7:30 p.m. Board of Trustees and Women's Society Christmas meeting.

Tuesday—6:10-6:45 p.m. Youth Choir practice; 6:45-7:30 p.m. Junior Choir practice.

Wednesday—7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir practice and nominations and Personnel Committee.

Rev. Kenneth Thornton, pastor of the Agawam United Methodist Church, has received notification that he was unanimously elected to be one of the recipients of the Stowell Fellowship for 1969. This grant is to help cover the expenses of travel and study in the Bible lands for as long a period as is possible. It is awarded annually to members of the ministry of the New England Conference of the Methodist Church. Tentatively Rev. Thornton and his wife plan to take advantage of this grant during July and August of 1969.

## BAPTIST CHURCH

*Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor*  
*Nancy Land, Organist and Choir Director*  
*Mrs. Ruth Daniels, Organist*  
*Mrs. Barbara Briggs, Church Secretary*

Sunday: First Sunday in Advent—9:30 a.m. morning worship, Rev. Lockhart will preach morning sermon. Choir sing and the first Advent Candle lighted; 10:30 a.m. church school; 6 p.m. Junior High and Senior BYF's meet at church; 6 p.m. Church Committee meet at church; 7 p.m. Senior Board of Deacons

meet at church.

Monday: 6:30 p.m. Amicitia Circle Christmas supper meeting at home of Mrs. Theda Meyer. Miss Jean Goss will be co-hostess.

Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. Melody Choir rehearsal at church; 7:30 p.m. Social Action Committee meet at church.

Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Trading Post open; 7:30 p.m. The Mid-year church meeting will start with a coffee hour. Reports and the election of finance officers will take place.

## CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

*Rev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister*  
*Mrs. A. G. Toussaint, Minister of Music*

Friday: 7 p.m. Boy Scout meeting; 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal.

Saturday—8:45 a.m. Intermediate Choir rehearsal; 9:30 Junior Choir rehearsal.

Sunday—9 a.m. Church at Morning Worship—Mr. Bryan preaching and Church School for Nursery thru 6th Grade; 10 a.m. Church School, 7th Grade thru 12th Grade; 11 a.m. Church at Morning Worship—Mr. Bryan preaching and Church School for Nursery thru 6th Grade; 7:30 p.m. Senior Pilgrim Fellowship meeting.

Tuesday—6:30 p.m. Senior Choir rehearsal.

## FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21 North Westfield St.  
*Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney, Pastor*  
 Thursday: 6:30 p.m. Cherub Choir rehearsal; 7 p.m. Senior Choir rehearsal.

Sunday: 10 a.m. Church school for grades nursery through 6th;

## ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

*Rev. Samuel Fayad, C.S.S.*  
*Rev. Joseph Mantia, C.S.S.*

Saturday—4 to 5 p.m. and 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. confessions.

MASS SCHEDULE  
 Sundays—7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Week days—7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.  
 Holy days—7 and 9 a.m., 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Tuesdays—7:30 p.m. St. Anthony Devotions.

## ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Rev. John S. Tuler, Vicar*  
 Thursday—7 p.m. Boy Scout Troop #79 meets in parish hall.  
 Sunday—8 a.m.-10:00 a.m. Holy Communion; 7 p.m. Evening prayer and Youth Fellowship.  
 Wednesday—7 p.m. Senior choir practice.

## SACRED HEART CHURCH

*Rev. George Linse, C.S.S.*  
*Rev. James Shea, C.S.S.*  
 Saturday—4:30 and 7:30 p.m. Confessions  
 Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 11:30 a.m. Masses.  
 Tuesday—7:30 p.m. Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions.

## ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

*Rev. Walter J. Joyce*  
*Rev. Albert Blanchard*  
 Saturday—Confessions 4 to 5:45 and 7:30 to 9 p.m.  
 MASS SCHEDULE  
 Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 a.m.  
 Tuesday—5:30 p.m. Mass followed by Miraculous Medal Novena.

## ST. THERESA OF INFANT JESUS CHURCH

*Rev. Paul Bernard*  
 MASS SCHEDULE  
 Daily Mass—7 a.m.  
 Saturday—8 a.m. Mass—4:30 and 7:30 Confessions.  
 Sunday—7, 9 and 11 a.m. Mass.

## VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

"THE CHURCH ON THE HILL"  
*Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Minister*  
*Mrs. Hazel Prior, Choir Director*  
*Mrs. John MacPherson, Organist*  
*Mrs. Richard Orr, Church Secretary*  
 Sunday: 10 a.m. Morning Worship sermon: Heaven or Hell Where are you Going? Sunday School Classes in Dunn Community Hall; 6:30 p.m. Youth Group meeting.  
 Monday: 8 p.m. Friendly Circle meeting—Men's Club. In special Christmas meetings.

## BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Upper Church and Second Sts.  
 West Springfield, Mass.  
*Larry Thornton, Pastor*  
 Sunday—9:45 a.m. Bible School for all ages; 11 a.m. Morning worship service. Supervised nursery service available upstairs in the church during both Bible School and morning service; 7 p.m. Evening Service.  
 Wednesday—7:30 p.m. Mid-week prayer meeting and Bible study.  
 (Bible Baptist Church is in fellowship with the General Assn. of Regular Baptist Churches and the American and International Councils of Christian Churches.)

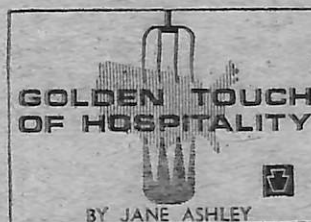
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When Pudding Is Not Desert  
 A British favorite, Yorkshire Pudding, is served with roast beef. It is a puffy popover-like bread baked in meat drippings and served in place of potatoes.

### Yorkshire Pudding

1 cup sifted flour  
 1/2 cup corn starch  
 1/2 teaspoon salt  
 2 eggs, slightly beaten  
 1 1/4 cups milk  
 1/4 cup hot meat drippings  
 Sift flour, corn starch and salt into mixing bowl. Stir in eggs, then gradually add 1 cup of the milk, mixing until smooth. Beat gently until slightly foamy on surface. Stir in remaining 1/4 cup milk. Pour hot drippings into (13x9x2-inch) pan. Pour in batter. Bake in 450 degrees F. (very hot) oven 10 minutes. Reset oven temperature control at 350 degrees F. (moderate) and continue baking until mixture is golden brown and slightly firm on top, 25 to 30 minutes. Serve immediately. Makes 6 servings.

## Post Office Advises To Write Clearly

Blurred eyes are expected for Christmas by Agawam's postal employees, if our handwriting doesn't improve. Postmaster Robert DeForge warned today.

Illegible handwriting is one of the biggest problems confronted by postal employees. At Christmastime, when mail volumes surge, the problem is compounded.

The use of ZIP Codes is a help because if the city and state are unreadable the ZIP Code will direct the mail to the correct post office. Clerks in that post office, being more familiar with local residents, may be able to figure out the person to whom the mail should be delivered.

Poor packaging and illegible or incorrect addressing account for about half a million undelivered parcels each year, the Postmaster said.

"When a person has taken the time to purchase a card, envelope and postage, or a gift, it is unfortunate if the mail can't be delivered," he said.

All parcels should be addressed on only one side and should have the address, with ZIP Code written somewhere on the inside of the package in case the exterior wrapping should come off.

Addressing the citizens of Agawam, Postmaster DeForge requested continued use of ZIP Codes in all addresses.

This is the best time of the year to up-date your ZIP Code lists. Postmaster DeForge said, "Just check the return addresses of your incoming mail and put the proper codes in your address books."

## Opens Office



JOSEPH R. CIMENNA

Joseph Rosario Cimenna, a graduate of the Columbia Institute of Chiropractic and formerly of Long Island, N. Y., has opened his office for the practice of Chiropractic at 1968 Westfield St., West Springfield.

## St. John's Yule . . .

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 and Mrs. Donald Desjarlais in charge.

Other booths and chairmen include: Jewelry, Mrs. Joseph Cancelliere; Novelties, Mrs. Zucco; Confections, Mrs. Norbert DeMont; Mrs. Gerald Girard and Mrs. Robert Morin; Greeting Cards and small gifts, Mrs. Alfred Dugan and Mrs. Edgar Wilson; Kiddie Corner, Mrs. Philip Barlow and Mrs. Paul Pappas; Christmas decorations, Mrs. Tozko and Mrs. Donald George; Sports Equipment, Mr. Coffey and Mr. Brame.

Mrs. James O'Keefe, Jr., Mrs. Peter Longo and Mrs. Philippe Raiche will supervise a special booth featuring handmade gift items priced to meet the budget limitations of the young folk.

The Kitchen Snack Bar, under the direction of Mrs. John Tanner assisted by Mrs. Charles Campbell, Mrs. Ernest McLean and Mrs. Clifford Lagasse, will serve light refreshments throughout the day.

Santa Claus, in the person of Mr. Alphonse Lussier, will be at the bazaar during the day to take Christmas orders from the small fry.

Did you see the cartoon from the Stateville prison newspaper that showed the guard talking to a prisoner? Guard: "For goodness sake, stop asking me every five minutes. I'll tell you when it's 1976!"

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## Lafond Elected

### To Mass. CPAs

Boston, Mass.—James Lafond, 57 Elbert Rd., Agawam, was recently elected to the Massachusetts Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Educated at Agawam High School he received a B.S. degree from American International College.

In addition to his membership in the Massachusetts Society of Certified Public Accountants, he also is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

He is employed as an audit supervisor for Lybrand, Ross Bros. & Montgomery, an accounting firm in Springfield.

Married to the former Sandra J. Ianello of Agawam, they have two sons; Christopher J. (3) and Matthew J. (1½).

## Trading Post Annual Discount Sale Dec. 4

The Trading Post at the Baptist Church at Agawam Center will be closed on Wednesday, Nov. 27th, due to the Thanksgiving Day holiday.

On Wednesday morning, the 4th, at 10, will open for annual gala event — a "one-day-only" 20% discount sale!

Many of the articles on racks and tables are brand new, and may be purchased for Christmas Gifts. All are in excellent condition—a good time to replenish shelves and wardrobes at small cost. This discount is only for one day, and comes entirely from the Post's share of the price asked.

Hours for the sale are as usual 10 to 4 during the day, and 7 to 9 in the evening.

The group of church women who put many hours of volunteer service into this Church and Community project, are grateful for the interest and patronage of its many friends, and want to show their appreciation in this way.

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## Announce Engagement



(Bosworth Studio)

### ADELLA MARIE GAGLIARDUCCI

Mr. and Mrs. George R. Gagliarducci of Main St., Agawam, announce the engagement of their daughter, Adella Marie, to John M. Fiori, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Fiori of Talcott Notch Road, Farmington, Conn.

Miss Gagliarducci, a graduate of Agawam High School and Springfield Technical Institute as a Medical Assistant, is employed by the Hartford Health Department as a Medical Coder at the St. Francis Hospital.

Her fiancé is a graduate of East Hartford High School and Porter School of Engineering Design, and was honorably discharged from the U. S. Army. He is employed by the Harper Buffing Machine Company in East Hartford.

The couple will exchange wedding vows April 19th in the St.

When the multi-colored flint corn, which the Indians had taught the Pilgrims to plant, was harvested it had to be shelled and ground into a meal.

John the Evangelist Church, Agawam, Mass.

## Flowers for All Occasions

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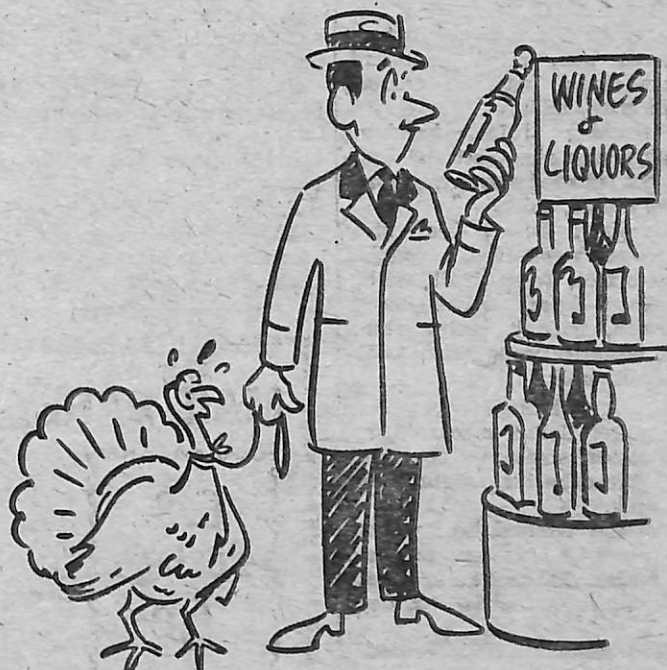
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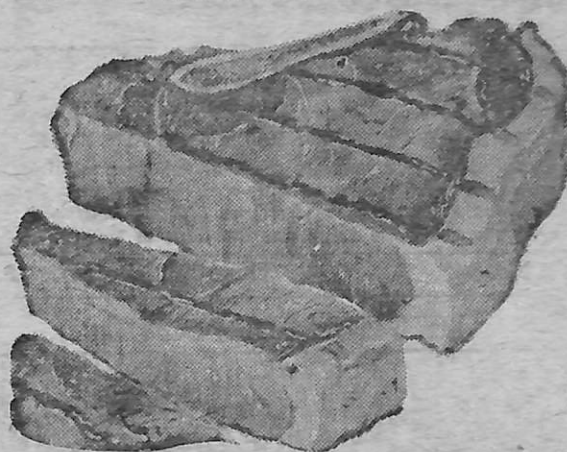
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Two kids were in a museum wondering what that means?" The other lad guessed: "It's probably the mummy's figure was a sign the license plate of the guy that hit him." reading 208 B.C. One kid said, "I

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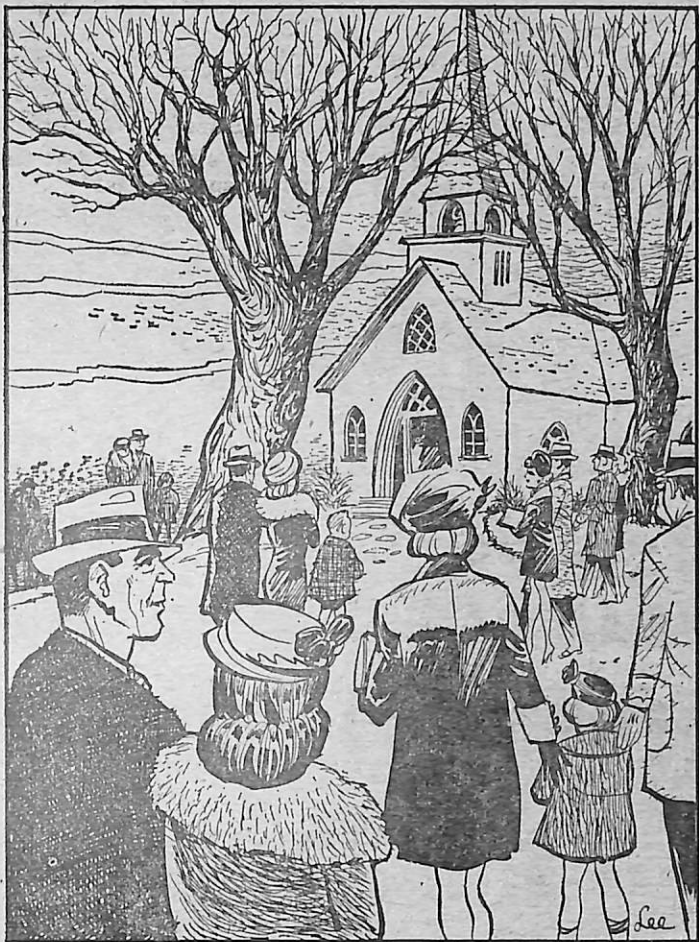
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## BE THOU THANKFUL



## Thanksgiving 1968

What have we to be thankful for? Did the original celebrators of the feast of Thanksgiving have more cause for gratitude than we do today?

Their life was demanding. They had to work hard to provide the necessities of life, clothing and food, and to build schools and places of worship. Yet they set aside a day for joyous celebration to thank God for the munificence of His gifts.

We have come a long way since that first celebration in the Massachusetts Bay Colony. As one generation gives way to another, the scientific and technical advances have made us the bread basket and the supplier of the world. The luxuries of yesteryear have become the necessities of today.

Wouldn't it be a sound idea for all of us to reflect a bit on that original scene of Thanksgiving? History is a great teacher, and a quick flashback to the first Thanksgiving might help us to rededicate our lives to sound principles, good deeds, human values, cooperation, peace, prosperity for all mankind.

A man called a dozen of his creditors together to tell them that he was about to go into bankruptcy. "I owe you over \$100,000," he said, "and my assets aren't enough to pay you five cents on the dollar. So I guess it will be impossible for you to get anything—unless you want to cut me up and divide me among you." "Mr. Chairman," spoke up one creditor, "I move that we do just that—I'd like to have his gall."

Political Advertisement

Political Advertisement

## My Sincere Thanks

to my loyal workers and to all who supported me in the recent election.

**Joseph Della Giustina**

SELECTMAN-ELECT



December 2

through

December 6

### SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Grilled Ham w/pine-apple, parsnip potatoes, apple-sauce, rye bread/butter, peanut butter sandwich, gingerbread w/topping, milk.

Tuesday: Hamburg special (lettuce & tomato), buttered corn, cheese wedge, peanut butter sandwich, strawberry shortcake w/topping, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, boiled ham & cheese on Jewish rye bread, mustard, buttered green beans, peanut butter sandwich, buttered cake w/hot fudge sauce, milk.

Thursday: Meat loaf w/brown gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered spinach, whole wheat bread/butter, orange blossom cake, milk.

Friday: Orange juice, egg salad sandwich, potato chips, raw vegetable tray, peanut butter sandwich, candy bar, milk.

### JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, ham & cheese roll, potato chips, tossed salad, sliced peach, milk.

Tuesday: Hamburg and gravy, mashed potato, broccoli, bread/butter, jello w/topping, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, homemade beef stew w/veg., bread/butter, apple, milk.

Thursday: Juice, hamburger on bun, stewed tomatoes, peanut butter sandwich, fruit cup, milk.

Friday: Juice, grilled cheese sandwich, homemade baked beans, cabbage carrot salad, pineapple upside down cake, milk.

### DANAHY

Monday: Juice, hamburger on roll, peas/carrots, prune spice cake, milk.

Tuesday: Meat balls in gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, bread/butter, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, grinders (sliced meat, lettuce, tomatoes), potato chips, fruit cup, cookies, milk.

Thursday: Shell macaroni in meat sauce, beans, bread/butter, cheese wedge, peaches, milk.

Friday: Juice, grilled cheese sandwich and peanut butter sandwich, potato chips, cheese wedge, tossed salad, apple crisp, milk.

### GRANGER

Monday: Spaghetti w/meat tomato sauce, buttered green beans, peanut butter sandwich, peaches, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, frankfurts on buttered bun, relish, mustard, potato chips, buttered carrots, apple crisp, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, hamburger gravy, fluffy rice, buttered broccoli, hot buttered cornbread, pineapple tidbits, milk.

Thursday: Juice: beef stew w/potatoes/vegetables, cookies, bread/butter, fresh fruit, milk.

Friday: Juice, grilled cheese sandwich, peanut butter sandwich, buttered beets, raisin cookies, fruit, milk.

### PEIRCE

Monday: Baked macaroni w/ham/cheese/tomatoes, buttered peas, bread/butter, citrus fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Ground beef w/barbecue sauce, buttered steamed rice, buttered wax beans, cheese or peanut butter sandwich, deep dish apple pie, milk.

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Wednesday: Orange juice, turkey noodle soup w/vegetables, turkey salad sandwich, carrot sticks, cheese fingers, cookies, milk.

Thursday: Beef pot pie w/potato topping, buttered leaf spinach, honey and peanut butter sandwich, peach shortcake, milk.

Friday: Grilled cheese sandwich, baked beans, buttered beets, carrot sticks, orange fruited jello w/topping, milk.

### PHELPS

Monday: Juice, grilled frankfurts on buttered roll, relish, mustard, buttered corn, apricots, peanut butter cookie, milk.

Tuesday: Sloppy Joe on buttered bun, tossed green salad, orange wedges, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, beef stew w/vegetables & potatoes, bread/butter, apple, cookie, milk.

Thursday: Juice, grilled hamburger on buttered bun, onion slices relish, buttered green beans, white cake w/strawberry topping, milk.

Friday: Juice, Tuna casserole w/noodles, cabbage carrot salad, peanut butter sandwich, applesauce cake, milk.

### ROBINSON

Monday: Orange juice, meat ball grinder, cheese sticks, buttered peas/carrots, sliced peaches, milk.

Tuesday: Hamburg gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Wednesday: Citrus Juice, frankfurts on buttered roll, mustard, relish, buttered corn, apple cherry crisp, potato chips, milk.

Thursday: Shell macaroni w/meat sauce, buttered green beans, bread/butter, applesauce, milk.

Friday: Oven baked fish sticks, catsup, baked beans, cabbage salad, peanut butter sandwich, dessert, milk.

### SOUTH

Monday: Steamed franks on buttered roll, mustard, relish, carrot sticks, buttered spinach, citrus fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Baked shell macaroni w/meat spaghetti sauce, fruit slaw salad, buttered Vienna Bread, apple crisp, milk.

Wednesday: Citrus Juice, homemade beef stew w/vegetables, crackers, celery sticks, peanut butter on rye bread, tangerine, milk.

Thursday: Orange juice, Chinese Pie (hamburger, corn, potato topping), buttered broccoli, pan biscuits, rolled wheat apple square, milk.

Friday: Cranberry juice, tuna noodle bake, tossed green salad, peanut butter on rye bread, pineapple chunks, cookie, milk.

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## Stumbler Squares Dance Saturday

Door Prizes Galore

Jack and Beverly Lyons, co-presidents of the Stumbler Squares have announced that a special door prize square dance will be held at the Granger School at Feeding Hills Center on Saturday evening, the 30th at 8.

Dozens of door prizes and favors will be awarded to the lucky couples attending the dance.

Host and hostess for the dance will be George and Helen Liptak. Refreshments will be served by Flora and Clement Steadman. Door prizes were obtained by Peggy and Frank Mann and the publicity committee includes Beverly and Bob Binnenkade.

Club caller, fabulous Bud Flebotte, invites all Western style square dancers to attend the dance.

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### LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
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Hampden, ss. In Equity  
To THOMAS F. JOHNSON and HELEN JOHNSON, husband and wife, both residing at 18 Carmel Lane, Agawam, Hampden County, Massachusetts; FITZGERALD BUILDING SUPPLY, INC., a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and having its usual place of business in Westfield, said Hampden County; and THIRD NATIONAL BANK OF HAMPDEN COUNTY, a banking corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and having its principal place of business at 1387 Main Street, Springfield, said Hampden County and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended:

NORTHAMPTON INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS, a banking institution duly organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and having its principal place of business in Northampton, Hampshire County, Massachusetts claiming to be the holder of a mortgage—covering certain real estate situated in AGAWAM, Hampden County, Massachusetts, and particularly described in said mortgage to the Petitioner as follows:

...certain real estate situated in that part of AGAWAM, Hampden County, Massachusetts, known as FEEDING HILLS, being designated as Lot #23 (twenty-three), as shown on a plan of lots recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book of Plans 104, Pages 64 and 65, said lot being bounded and described as follows:

EASTERLY: by Carmel Lane, as shown on said plan, one hundred ten (110) feet;

SOUTHERLY: by lot #21 (twenty-one), as shown on said plan, one hundred ninety seven and 20/100s (197.20) feet;

WESTERLY: by land now or formerly of Carmel Associates, Inc., seventy six and 68/100 (76.68) feet;

NORTHERLY: by Lots #26 (twenty-six) and #25 (twenty-five), both as shown on said plan, two hundred (200) feet;

SUBJECT to easement rights of Western Massachusetts Electric Company, et al, under instrument dated October 24, 1966 and recorded as aforesaid in Book 3223, Page 237.

BEING the same premises conveyed to me by Charles R. Calabrese, by deed to be recorded herewith," given by Thomas F. Johnson to the Petitioner, dated August 29, 1967 and recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book 3283, Page 198 has filed with said court a bill in equity as amended for authority to foreclose said mortgage—in the manner following: by entry and possession, exercise of a power of sale.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended, and you object to such foreclosure or seizure, you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Springfield, in the County of Hampden, on or before December 30, 1968, or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure or seizure is invalid under said act.

Witness, G. JOSEPH TAURO, Chief Justice of our Superior Court, this nineteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight.

Edward G. Shea, Clerk.  
(Nov. 28)



## Loyal Order of Moose AGAWAM LODGE No. 1935



Last Sunday the Installation Ceremony was held in our own Lodge 1935 at St. Theresa's Hall in North Agawam. The newest members of the Lodge are Fred Picciak, Fred O'Connell, Peter Uzell, Peter Uzell Jr., Frank Bray, Art Labelle, Sidney Way, John Ramsey, Alfred Daignault,

Ernest Dumond Jr., Class Representative.

From the Westfield Lodge 1255 Lionel Laffee, Gary Bennett, Al Emerson. The Drill Team from Westfield did the official ritual. Welcome into the largest Brotherhood, Loyal Order of the Moose. A smorgasbord was served after the ceremony.

Omission last week of Lou Roberts initiation into the Legionnaires sponsored by Bob Laffee of Westfield Lodge.

Many members of the Lodge were present at the wedding of Gov. Bissonnette's daughter, Coral, last Saturday, the 23rd.

MANY THANKS to Westfield Lodge who has donated a moosehead to our Lodge.

DON'T FORGET DEC. 7th, the adults Christmas dinner and dance with Santa to be there. Everyone is requested to bring a \$1 gift to put under the tree and swap.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING AND REMEMBER MOOSEHEART AND MOOSEHAVEN AMONGST YOUR BLESSINGS.

## Western Bank . . .

(Continued From Page 1)

Agawam. In addition to his activities within the Western Mass. Rambler Dealers Association, he is a member of the Agawam Lions Club, UNICO, School Building Committee, and Town Safety Committee. He also serves as a Town Meeting Member.

Mr. Vernon Spear, President of Spear Lumber Co., and of Spear Supply. He is a member of the Melha Shrine in Springfield, and he has served as past President for the Lumber Dealers Association and for the Western Mass. Chapter of a fraternal order of lumbermen.

Mr. Arthur J. Leary, Jr., President and Treasurer of the Country Squire Furniture Shop, Agawam. He serves as Vice-President for the Agawam YMCA and is an executive officer for the Furniture Dealers Association of Greater Springfield.

Mr. Francis Capitanio, Steel Erection Supervisor for Hanigan Steel Co., East Longmeadow. Having served as President of the Iron Workers Union Local 357 of Springfield for 15 years, he is now active in Agawam's UNICO, Lodge of Elks, and Magawaga Sporting Club organizations.

Mr. David T. Cesan, Agawam Fire Department fire fighter. He

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is also associated with The Pond Industrial Development Commission. His record of services to Real Estate Agency of Agawam, formerly served as local representative for the Eastern States Farmers Exchange.

Mr. David C. Gallano, Treasurer for the Town of Agawam and Chairman for the Town's the community include Director of YMCA and Boy Scouts, Past President of the Chamber of Commerce, and former School Board Chairman. In addition, he serves many veterans organizations and professional associations.

Located in the new Village Shops area of Feeding Hills Center, Western Bank and Trust Company's third office will feature full service banking, a drive-up window, and customer convenience hours, as featured at all branch locations: Monday-Wednesday, 9 a. m. to 3 p. m.; Thursday-Friday, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.; and Friday, 6:30 p. m. to 8 p. m.

## P.O. Advises Be 'Early Bird' Mailer

More mail than ever before will be delivered between now and the holidays.

Agawam Postmaster Robert R. DeForge urged mailers to

start to plan for their holiday mailings now and to be "Early Bird" mailer.

The postal service can handle the unusually heavy load of mail expected this year, if the mailing public will give us a hand by depositing their cards and packages into the mail a bit earlier than usual and by using ZIP Codes, Postmaster DeForge said.

Packages should be wrapped well, without rattles. Addresses should be legible.

New postal laws have eliminated the lower rate for greeting cards weighing an ounce or less. Therefore, all "regular" Christmas cards will be mailed at the six cent rate this year.

This is also a good time to record the ZIP Codes in the return addresses of incoming mail, to up-date address lists," Postmaster DeForge said.

## The Old Timer



"Before offering a seat to a girl be sure she is!"

## NEWS from the Services



AIRMAN ROBERT DIONNE

SAN ANTONIO — Airman Robert G. Dionne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice A. Dionne of 25 Reed St., Agawam, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to Sheppard AFB, Tex., for training in aircraft maintenance.

Airman Dionne is a 1967 graduate of Agawam High School.

"Well, Johnny, how did you get along in school today?"

"Okay, mom, but that new teacher is always asking us some fool questions. Today she asked everybody where they were born."

"Did you tell her that you were born at the Woman's Hospital?"

"No, I didn't want the whole class to think I was a sissy. I told her Yankee Stadium."



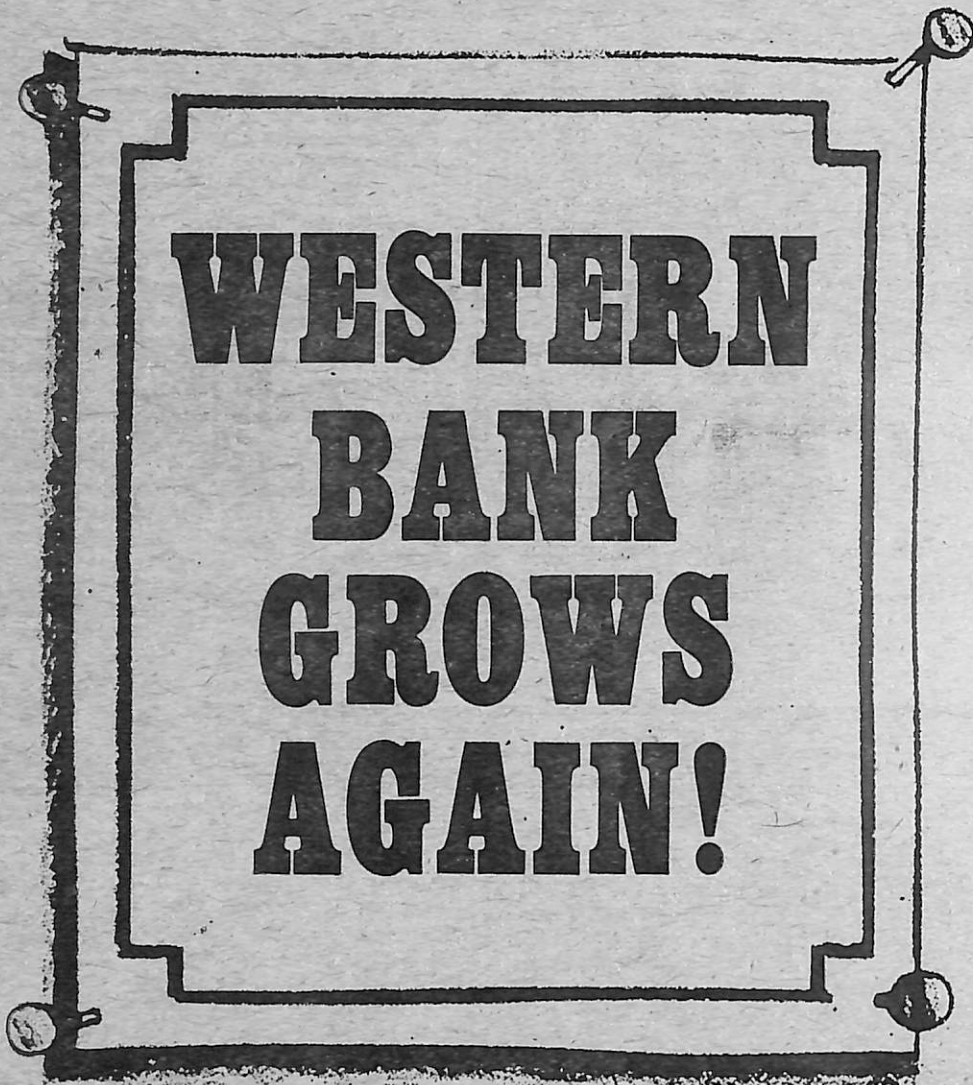
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## SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



by BILL CHIBA

The 1968 Vermont bow season is history now with a new record of bow kills being set. 1418 deer were bagged by the archers. The 1967 former record was 935. The new total puts Vermont at the top of the list kill density by archers in the U. S.

The success is related to the increase in the bow license sales. This year for the first time, an archer was allowed to take a deer with the bow and a buck during the regular season. . . the license sales sky-rocketed. Of the 25,000 licenses sold, residents purchased 15,000 or 60% with the resident kill rising from 20% to 40%. It is amazing how the allowing of two deer created expert bowhunters over night. . . so to speak!

Breaking down the figures presented by the Vermont Fish and Game Dept., shows the success ratio of both non-resident and resident to be extremely high. The average success ratio on a country wide basis run from 1 to 2 1/2%. The non-resident in Vermont was 9% and the resident 4%. The over-all success ratio of the total bowhunters was a high 6%. There has to be an answer there somewhere in the figures.

Seventy-three bear were taken in Sept., 42 in Oct. The top trophy bear was taken in the Kirby area. Mo Eaton and I hunted the same locale for bear with no success. The trophy bear weighed 391 pounds and was shot by an Illinois man. St. Johnsbury produced a 357 pounder and the town of Burke a 300 lb. male. The sad part of the bear hunting episode is that 13 cubs were shot by the hungry hunters. The Division has repeatedly asked the bear hunters to be SPORTSMEN

and leave the cubs alone. Evidently there are more hunters than sportsmen in search of bears.

### COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS

The Associated Press reports that capitalists who like to hunt are welcome in Rumania, but their expedition could be expensive. They can be charged \$4800 (not a typographical error) or more for each big stag they shoot, and bears start at \$1000 and can go above \$1800. . . you had best be a good shot. A stag or bear costs \$100, payable in Western currency, every time the hunter shoots and misses. Should he wound a bear and not find him afterwards, the tab is \$300.

The deer season for bucks only opens in Mass. Dec. 2 and runs through Saturday, Dec. 7, inclusive.

A person shall not kill more than one deer, nor shall a person kill or possess an antlerless deer (deer with less than three inches of antler) unless he possesses on his person a permit to do so.

After killing a deer a person must report the kill at a designated station within 24 hours. The deer must be shown while being transported and a hunter cannot continue to hunt for deer after making a kill. Make sure you affix the deer tag from your license immediately to the animal. It is a court scene for you if you do not.

The Maine mid-season deer-kill report for 1968 shows an increase of 3,042 over the comparable figure for 1967, with one day less hunting available in the southern zone. The total kill so far is 18,881. Maine deer hunting is back in the groove again.

**HITS AND BITS:** Tree leaves do not change their colors in the fall but merely expose them after the chlorophyll, which has masked them with a green substance all summer, dies.

The world's largest mouse is the capybara of South America. It reaches weights of 100 pounds, stands two feet at the shoulder, grows to four feet in length, and is excellent game for hunters.

All bears are omnivorous. They will eat anything, including each other.

Red squirrels are able to eat many mushrooms which are poisonous to humans and that Blue Jays have been known to reach the age of 15 years, a long lifetime for most birds.

## My Beat — A.H.S.

Jo-Ann Della-Giustina

Last week, George Bickford, senior class president, and Mr. Griffin, physics teacher, represented Western Mass. at the "National Youth Conferences of the Atom" in Chicago. The conference consisted of a series of lectures and scientific tours at the Sheraton-Chicago and the Argonne National Laboratories. George has received the RPI Science Award.

### STUDENT COUNCIL

The AHS Student Council has taken steps to achieve better relations between the students, the administration, and the parents. Many of its members recently attended a School Board meeting in order to understand the function and accomplishments of this body. But, without the help and cooperation of the parents, we, the students, cannot be effective in achieving this desired relationship.

### LIBRARY STAFF

The annual Book Fair will be held Dec. 9-13 to sell books of varied interest to the students and faculty of Agawam High. A certain amount of the proceeds go to the AHS library to buy new books.

The library committee is: seniors — Donna Atwater, Denise Hawkins, Dianne DiDonato, Bonnie Millar; juniors — Darcy Hammar, Judy Kana, Cteve Godet, Debbie Faden.

**COMING EVENTS:** Agawam football team plays at Chicopee Comp on Thanksgiving . . . College Boards for seniors next Sat. . . Kid Party next month . . . Basketball and hockey seasons start soon. . .

When it was time to carve the bird, there were plenty of spectators.

## Turkey Talk . . . Second Appearance May Outshine The First



Count yourself lucky when you have enough turkey left to make this bountiful casserole of creamed turkey topped with stuffed ham rolls. It's scrumptious.

Key to the success of this dish is the savory sauce which binds the pieces of turkey together. Note that a simplified method of saucing is featured. With the help of the convenient and exceptionally rich-tasting powdered creamer, Pream, used in place of fresh cream, it's a simple matter to turn out perfectly smooth, elegantly rich sauces every time.

### Casserole Turkey With Ham Rolls

4 cups cooked turkey, cut in large pieces	2 cups soft bread crumbs
1/2 cup butter	1/4 cup minced onion
1/2 cup flour	2 tablespoons minced parsley
1 cup non-dairy Pream	3/4 teaspoon poultry seasoning
4 cups boiling chicken broth	1/4 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon rosemary	Dash of pepper
1/8 teaspoon pepper	2-3 tablespoons chicken broth
	8 slices boiled ham

Preheat oven to 350°F. Arrange turkey in a 3-quart casserole. In a heavy-bottomed saucepan, melt butter over low heat until frothy. Blend in flour and cook, stirring constantly, 1 minute without browning. Then add Pream and boiling chicken broth all at once, beating with wire whip to blend. Increase heat to moderately high; cook and stir until sauce comes to the boil and thickens. Add rosemary and pepper; pour sauce over turkey in casserole. Combine remaining ingredients, except ham, reserving 1/4 cup of the mixture. Place about 3 tablespoons stuffing on each slice of ham; roll. Place filled ham rolls on top of turkey mixture. Sprinkle remaining stuffing over top of casserole. Bake for 30 minutes. Makes 8 servings.

## Consumer News . . .

### Used Car Buying

From Attorney General ELLIOT RICHARDSON

A recent automobile advertisement read, "The next time a used car salesman says that the car he wants to sell you is 'just like new,' ask him to put it in writing." This statement was accompanied by pictures showing the expression on a salesman's face changing from a jolly one to one of shock.

While the Consumer Protection Division never endorses a particular product, we are always happy to pass along good advice from any source.

Great care should be exercised in buying a second hand car. Even with the stringent consumer laws which Massachusetts has, knowing the problems you may encounter is the best protection against an unhappy purchase.

For example, people have written to us stating, "I bought a used car from the XYZ Company. When I took it to my gas station it failed to pass the safety tests and they put a rejection sticker on it. I've been cheated!"

Investigation of such complaints usually reveals that the car was sold "as is" and that the buyer did not understand what was meant by the term. When you buy a car "as is," whatever problems or difficulties arise after the purchase are your responsibility and yours alone.

Just suppose that the salesman did, in fact, tell you that the car was in great shape and that it should last you 10 years. Unless he put it in writing, it's your word against his.

Fortunately many used cars still have mileage left on their original warranty; or a dealer will offer a partial warranty on

a used car. This does not mean, that every problem which occurs will be taken care of by the dealer. What it does mean is that the dealer will do the things he promises to do in the warranty. For example, a "50-50, thirty-day warranty of power train" means the dealer will cover one-half the cost of repairing those parts of the car which are in the power train (engine, transmission, rear end), if a problem arises within 30 days of purchase of the car and if you notify him promptly. It does not mean that he has to fix a broken spring, a squeaky door, or replace a mirror.

Many people believe that the law requires all used cars to be fit to pass the Registry inspection. This is not so. Several bills have been filed in the General Court for this purpose, but all have so far failed to pass.

When you buy a car, as with other purchases, compare, compare, compare! If the salesman makes claims about the car, get them in writing. If he refuses, don't worry about losing the "buy of a lifetime." The auto industry is very competitive and another dealer who is willing to put his promises in writing will probably give you a better "buy."

Remember that you as a consumer have a great deal of control over sales practices. The educated consumer who uses his buying power wisely can force changes in sales practices and is one of the strongest forces in the market place. For consumer problems, write: Attorney General Elliot Richardson, Consumer Protection Division, State House, Boston, 02133.

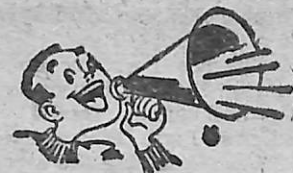
## Investment Club Holds Keg Tourney

Last week the Continental Investment Club bowling team held a joint bowling tournament and business meeting out at Community Lanes in Westfield.

The Investment club team bowls every Wednesday evening in a league and is presently leading in the round after a three game victory over Westfield Service Station Center's team.

The team members include David A. Ladizki, Joseph F. Hebda, Andy Callini, Don McLean and William Cloutier. Substitutes also include George Ross, John Kelley and F. Whitney Glynn.

After the bowling match a brief semi-monthly meeting was held with a review of its holdings and on what stocks to invest in.



## COLLEGE NEWS

Paul C. Stebbins, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Duane Stebbins of 789 Main St., Agawam, has been accepted at East Coast Aero Technical School, Hanscom Field, Lexington, Mass.

He will prepare for his Federal Aviation Administration examinations to become a licensed technician.

Miss Karen Loncrini, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Loncrini of 128 Cooley St., and Miss Deena Piccin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Celeste Piccin of 18 Mulberry St., are enrolled as freshmen at Albertus Magnus College, New Haven, Conn.

Miss Loncrini and Miss Piccin have participated in Orientation Week Ceremonies, which included a formal tea with the faculty. They also attended the traditional Candlelight Ceremony as guests of the senior class. On Sept. 16, they attended a celebrated opening day mass at which Rev. William A. Newman, O. P. of Washington, D. C. preached the sermon.

The Misses Loncrini and Piccin are graduates of Agawam High School.



Athletic events and contests of skill between Pilgrims and Indians made for another part of our Thanksgiving tradition.

"The fashion world has created some new names for the colors of its autumn styles, such as maple brown, roulette green, regency red, Venetian blue and Renaissance purple. The husbands, who pay for these fashions, have some new colors too—creditor red, over-drawn gray, tight money purple and bankrupt blue."

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## FIRST THANKSGIVING AT PLIMOTH PLANTATION

THE FIRST THANKSGIVING celebrated at Plymouth in 1621 was a harvest festival, a gathering of family, friends and neighbors, and a time of games and feasting.

Almost half of the original 102 Pilgrims had survived the first winter. They had labored long and hard to build a village and plant crops. When their harvest was gathered, they celebrated.

In writing to a friend in England describing the First Thanksgiving, one of the Pilgrims said: "Our harvest being gotten in, our Governor William Bradford sent four men on fowling; so that we might after a more special manner, rejoice together, after we had gathered the fruit of our labours. They four, on one day, killed as much fowl as, with a little help besides served the company almost a week."

*"And among the rest, their (the Indians) greatest king, Massasoit, with some ninety men, whom for three days, we entertained and feasted, and they went out and killed five deer; which they brought to the Plantation and bestowed on our Governor, and upon the Captain (Myles Standish) and others."*

In describing this Thanksgiving, which set the pattern for the traditional American celebration, other writers tell of foot racing, wrestling, exercising arms (infantry drill) and pitching the bar.

These scenes were acted out by citizens of Plymouth, Massachusetts, many of whom are descendants of those who celebrated the First Thanksgiving. Appropriately enough, the setting was at Plimoth Plantation, an outdoor museum where the first Pilgrim settlement is being re-created.

Papa Robin sat on the blue eggs in the nest. Later, Mama Robin returned to sit on the nest to keep the eggs warm. When it became Papa Robin's turn again,

he found among the blue eggs one that was brown and mottled. He asked Mama Robin about it. Said she, "I did for a lark."

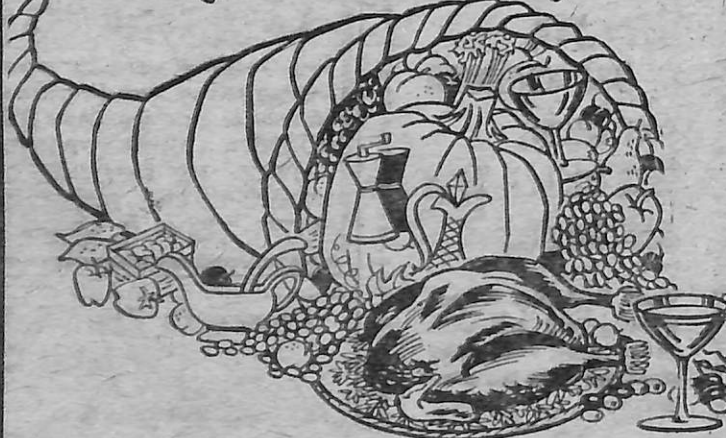


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## VWWI CARD

### PARTY WINNERS

The sixth game in the present series of Whist Parties sponsored by the Veterans of World War One was held in the Agawam National Guard Armory last Wednesday evening. Winners of door prizes were, M. Mann, Robert Damon, Betty Allard, Evelyn Miller.

Mystery prizes were awarded to Mary McKay, Belle Smith, and Betty Allard. Ace prize for the ladies was won by Mildred Cole and Lawrence Duclos for the men. Series prize winners were Walter Haggerty, Margar-

et O'Connor and Jessie Tompkins.

Receiving high score awards were: Ladies — 1st Evelyn Miller, 2nd, Jo Newcomb, 3rd Viola Thayer, 4th Jessie Tompkins; Men — 1st Walter Haggerty, 2nd Howard Thayer, 3rd Les Newcomb, 4th James D. Cleary.

The Next card party will be held in the same place. . . time . . . day. . . see you there!

A man was arrested in Alaska for having a wife in Nome, one in Fairbanks and another in Whittier. "How could you do such a thing?" the judge sternly asked. The man replied, "Fast dog team."



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# V.F.W. Post 1632 and Auxiliary Bulletin

By ANNA D. BISSONNETTE

On Sunday afternoon, Dec. 15th at 2, Veterans' of Foreign Wars Post and Auxiliary are having a Christmas party for their children. As the Post Home on South Street is too small to hold such a large group the place will be announced in the next week's column.

Chairmen are Adolf Netkovick for the men and Katy Dickinson for the women. Co-chairmen are Dick Adelman and Anna D. Bissonnette. Honorary Chairmen are Commander Edward Harpin and President Emily Dias. Committee members are Wilfred Bissonnette, Roland Ruelle, Norman Wood, Orville Burt, Carol and Mahlon Inman, Anna and Jim Hayes, Lucille Harpin, Fran and Adam Link, Venetta and Brady Snyder.

In order that YOUR child gets an appropriate gift, please furnish all the information requested below and return to QM Bissonnette at 21 Mulberry St., Agawam 01001.

Name of family, number of children, sex of children and their ages.

## PROCEEDS FOR PARTY

Chairman Ed Netkovick announced that there would be a

sale of Christmas decorations and the proceeds would be used for the Children's Christmas Party. So come to the Post Home on Friday, Dec. 13th, at 7:30 p.m. and your purchase of centerpiece, wreaths, door sprays, and mantle pieces will be for a worthy cause. These pieces will be originals and many just one of a kind. Wouldn't you like to dress up your home for Christmas?

## ADULT YULE PARTY

The adult Christmas Party is on Dec. 21st. Don't forget your \$1 gift exchange. More on this later.

## V. A. H. Hospital

Thursday, Nov. 28th, a Bingo sponsored by the Patients' Committee in the Recreation Hall.

Dec. 1 thru Dec. 5th, American Legion Gift Shop.

## LITTLE BITS

Over the Nov. 23rd weekend Coral Bissonnette, Trustee of the Auxiliary became Mrs. Donnie Lee Garrison; the Norman Woods of Sylvan Road had an early Thanksgiving with Norm's father in Maine; Beulah Hooker and Anita Marshall were in New York seeing a show and shopping.

Membership in the Post is up to 60% — How about your dues?

## At Your Service

EUGENE H. LUND

Director of Veterans Services



Approximately 1,952,000 service-disabled veterans will receive increased compensation payments beginning next Jan. 1 under a bill signed into law Aug. 19 by President Johnson.

Some 112,000 veterans with 100% service-connected disabilities will be increased from \$300 to \$400 a month. Some 1,840,000 veterans with service-connected disabilities rated 10 to 90% will have their payments increased 8%.

First year cost of the second increase in disability compensation payments to be enacted under the Johnson administration is estimated at \$234.7 million.

Currently, VA compensation payments to nearly two million service-disabled veterans total about \$2 billion a year.

Passed unanimously by the House on June 6 and by the Senate on Aug. 2, the new law also authorizes the Administrator of Veterans Affairs to provide invalid lifts, other therapeutic or rehabilitative devices and medical equipment and supplies to eligible veterans. This provision became effective when the bill was signed.

Increased compensation rates were recommended by the US Veterans Advisory Commission appointed last year at the direction of the President "to conduct a comprehensive study of the pension, compensation and benefits system for veterans, their families and their survivors. . . to assure that our tax dollars are being utilized most wisely and that our Government is meeting fully its responsibilities to all those to whom we owe so much."

The increased rates will be reflected in the January 1969 disability compensation checks veterans receive from the VA. Vet-

erans drawing disability compensation need not write or contact the VA in advance concerning this increase.

Below is a table comparing the current and new disability compensation rates under Public Law 90-493.

Degree of Disability	Cur. Mon. Pay	Mon. Pay Effect. 1/1/69
10%	\$21	\$23
20%	40	43
30%	60	65
40%	82	89
50%	113	122
60%	136	147
70%	161	174
80%	186	201
90%	209	226
100%	300	400



Q. How does the recent change in the social security law benefit disabled widows and disabled widowers?

A. The new law provides reduced benefits at age 50 for disabled widows, certain disabled surviving divorced wives, and disabled dependent widowers. They would have been eligible for benefits under the old law only when they reached 60 or 62.

Q. How has the recent change in the social security law helped persons disabled in childhood?

A. Persons disabled in childhood, before the age 18, who continue to be disabled can now be paid benefits. The benefits are payable when one of their parents receives social security retirement or disability benefits or when an injured person dies.

Q. Has there been a change in

the social security law that would benefit a blind person?

A. Yes, a person whose eyesight is no better than 20/200 even with glasses may now benefit from special provisions for the blind. If a person whose vision is no better than 20/200 has worked long enough under social security, he is eligible for a disability "freeze" even if he is working. Under the "freeze" years, in which he has low earnings, or no earnings will not reduce the amount of his future benefits, which are figured from his earnings.

Q. How has the new law helped disabled widows who had been divorced from their late husbands?

A. If you and your husband were divorced after your marriage had lasted 20 years or longer and he was contributing to your support at the time of his death, or was under a court order to do so, you may be eligible for disabled widows' benefits.

Q. I've been trying to decide whether or not I should enroll in the supplementary medical in-

surance program. I've been unable to make a final decision because I've heard the government will designate the doctor I must go to for treatment.

A. Medicare does not assign you to any doctor. You select the doctor of your choice and have him treat you.

Q. I work five days a week during the same hours that the social security office is open. Can I handle my claim for social security benefits and medicare through the mail?

A. Social security offices are now open additional hours in the evening or on Saturday to accommodate people like you. The Springfield office is open until 8:00 p.m. Thursday evening for your convenience.

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